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Prior A	Applicat	tion Art Unit: 2856 Prior Application Examiner: R. Raevis
SIR: T	his is a	request for filing a
§ 1.53	(b) of p	ion ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. bending prior Application No. 10/137,370 filed May 3, 2002 of Gerrick S. for METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MIXING GASES
1.	сору с	Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or ration and drawings, as originally filed. The attached papers are a true of prior Application No. 10/137,370 as originally filed on May 3, 2002, which reporated herein by reference.
2.		Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125. The signed hereby verifies that no new matter is added in this substitute cation.
3.	☐ Under	Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
4.		Cancel Claims
5.	\boxtimes	A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
6.	⊠ applic	The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior ation as amended at 4 and 5 above.

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Basic Application Filing Fee						\$	\$770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	31	-	20	11	x \$18		198.00
Independent Claims	7	-	3	4	x \$86		344.00
☐ Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$280							
Subtotal						\$	1312.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						-	
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$	1312.00

- 7. A check in the amount of \$1312.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- 8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- 9. New acceptable drawings are enclosed.
- 10. The prior application is assigned of record to: Caterpillar, Inc.
- 11. This application claims the benefit of an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Application No. 10/137,370, filed May 3, 2002.
- 12. Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
- 13. The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,538; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. Dona
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14.	\boxtimes	The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
15.	Dowe	Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the er in the prior application is enclosed.
16.		Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, ABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, 20005-3315, Customer Number 22,852.
17.		Recognize as associate attorney

18. Also enclosed is <u>Information Disclosure Statement</u>, with Form PTO-1449 citing 20 references.

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19. PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 10/137,370, filed May 3, 2002, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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Dated: Nov. 7, 2003

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